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The "boys" who run the political machine in Roanoke were shocked beyond measure when The Times stated according to report, one of their nominees was a barkeeper. Their little souls writhed in pain and their little hearts thumped with excited anger. The Times had slandered the machine in giving publicity to a statement that if true would have harrowed the fine sensibilities of the "boys" and not being true was an unpardonable outrage. Two years ago the same "boys" nominated Uncle Andy McCarty for the same office knowing him to be the boss liquor dealer of the whole State of Craig. What a wonderful change in the short period of two years.

The silver men of the three political parties of Nebraska have decided to join hands and fight the common cause in unison. It seems that they care but little from what party their candidates come, so they are tried and true to the principles of bimetalism.

Hon. John J. Ingalls, an ex-Senator from the State of Kansas, and a Republican, has the following to say concerning the sugar schedule of the new tariff law: "It is the most brazen and audacious hold-up of the century. It makes train robbery respectable. It has no excuse except the insatiable greed and rapacity of the most shameless squad of plunderers that ever engaged the penitentiary. Ordinary marauders are content to rob a bank, or swindle a community. These brigands propose to pillage the nation and to compel Congress to become their accomplices. The trust schedule will destroy competition, annihilate the beet sugar industry, and to add to the oppressive burdens of every citizen of the United States, for the avowed purpose of swelling the already inordinate gains of a remorseless monopoly. These are the performances that explain Populism, and which, if not restrained, will make anarchy possible."

Again has Hanna shown his dictatorial powers with this administration. He is the power behind the throne that ordered the reinstatement of John Hancock, chief of the stationery division of the Pension office, who was assigned to other duty last week by Commissioner Evans. It appears that Mr. Hancock is related to ex-Governor Merriam, of Minnesota, by marriage. Merriam was close to Hanna in the last campaign, and in his trouble Hancock at once appealed to his influential kinsman. Ex Gov. Merriam was with Hanna on his recent yachting trip and laid the case before him. Hanna, mindful of the services that Merriam had rendered him, actually complied with the request and promised to use his influence to have Hancock put back to his old place. According to the story, Hanna promptly wired the Secretary of the Interior stating that Hancock must be reinstated, and upon the ipse dixit of Hanna Secretary Bliss made his peremptory order for the reinstatement.

The English sparrow that collects wisdom will be sure to keep out of range of the amateur sportsmen who go gunning for bats in the vicinity of Roanoke.

The arch woman fiend and criminal of this or any other age appears to be Mrs. Augusta Nack who is jointly indicted with Martin Thorn charged with the murder of Wm. Guldensuppe. She will have many other horrible murders to answer for.

Spain has at last spoken to the United States through Mr. Calderon Carlisle, the legal adviser of the Spanish embassy. She don't want much. Only enough to pay a goodly portion of her national debt, and for what? Why on account of the failure of this Government to intercept all the aid extended to the Cuban patriots by enterprising Americans. This nation, to its eternal disgrace, has already spent hundreds of thousands of dollars doing police duty for General Weyler, and it is high time that this demand should be met by our President preemptorily ordering the Spanish troops

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out of Cuba or else invite Spain to enter into an amicable arrangement for the independence of the island. Upon a rejection of that invitation by the Spanish government, give notice that the war must cease forthwith and then if necessary back that notification with all the naval and military forces of the United States. A little determined persistence along this line would leave Mr. Carlisle without a job and the world at large better off, beside putting a stop to the horrible butchery of the Cubans.

The plank in the Populist platform regarding the public school system of Virginia is a vote winner. It provides that the public schools shall run eight months in the year and that teachers shall be given better pay. In some counties in Virginia the schools run four and five months in the year and teachers are paid \$18, \$20 and \$22 per month. In one county where such conditions exist the county superintendent advocates a reduction of salaries of \$2 per month according to grade. With such conditions confronting us in some Virginia counties, is it any wonder that intelligence and educational qualifications are shut out from the masses while only a few favored families are enabled to properly educate their children by sending them to high schools and academies.

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Later information develops the fact that the above publication which appeared in The Times of yesterday does Mr. Caldwell an injustice, and it affords us pleasure to state that he is not a bar-keeper nor has he in the past been engaged in the saloon business. He is a farmer highly esteemed by his neighbors for his many good qualities. Two enthusiastic supporters of other aspirants before the Salem convention let their zeal run away with their judgment and the facts, and the report was circulated that Mr. Caldwell was an ex-saloon keeper by some of the politicians who perhaps now condemn The Times for publishing the report. We very much regret having published a statement not justified by the facts.

## SETS HIM RIGHT.

To the Editor of The Times: In your issue of this morning in an editorial comment as to the candidates nominated yesterday by the Salem convention, you make the following statement:

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I was much surprised when I read this comment. It was stated on the floor of the convention and currently reported about Salem yesterday, that Mr. Caldwell was an esteemed citizen of Craig county and that he was a Christian gentleman. This information was given for the benefit of those who did not know him.

Not being intimately acquainted with Mr. Caldwell, and never having been in Newcastle where he resides, I will not undertake to deny the charges; but as I supported him in the convention, and as I will vote for him in the November election, and do all in my power for the success of the ticket, this much I will say, that Mr. John P. Caldwell, who was nominated yesterday, is a steward in the Methodist Church at Newcastle. Not only does he hold this honorable position, but he is recording steward for the Newcastle circuit, and therefore a member of the district conference of the Roanoke district.

Being recording secretary for this conference, I placed his name upon the rolls when they were made up for the session at Newport, August 3 to 6, 1897. This was done by direction of Rev. B. F. Ball, presiding elder, and I venture to assert that had Mr. Caldwell been a bar-keeper he would at once have been declared ineligible.

A majority of the Roanoke city delegates voted for Mr. Caldwell, believing him to be a good, straight-forward man. I believe we did right and will continue to believe so until I see him repudiated by the people and turned down by those who love morals and good order.

Mr. Caldwell will win; Mr. Hicks will win just as easily. It is a good ticket for the people; but it will be a jingernaut for any combine which may seek to overthrow the Democracy of this district. I am sure The Times must have been misinformed, and that it did not intend to do a good man an injustice.

W. E. THOMAS.

Roanoke, Sept. 4.

## FURTHER INDORSEMENT.

The Times yesterday received the following dispatch:

"Salem, Va., Sept. 4.—Jno. P. Caldwell came out in my evangelistic meeting in Newcastle two years ago and joined the Methodist Church. I believe him to be a Christian gentleman."

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## Society: "Q."

The first thing of all was the circus and it was about the least. The storm may have had something to do with the poor performance we witnessed—it is charitable to say it did, but what they did give was very ordinary. Aside from the tumbling of the Nelson family there was really nothing worthy of mention in the whole circus. And to think that we had laid aside of that which was our own substance and some of that of our friends for that. It is melancholy to say the least almost as melancholy as the clowns, who seemed to be suffering with the blues or toothache. It was not known that there would be a night performance in time to get up the talked of party, so those who went struggled in and struggled out and looked sorry. Why is it that all the questionable jokes and doubtful funny business of a circus should always be directed especially to that part of the audience least apt to appreciate them? If they are gotten off as hits they should be aimed at the part of the tent most susceptible to the delicate tidbits so nicely served. But he that as it may if we go to the "Great Wallace Shows" again it will be for the fun of going and not for the delights of a most commonplace circus. The peanuts were raw and the lemonade not in evidence. It may be said, however, that as an advertising medium the performance was beyond criticism. We wouldn't choose any more.

There have been all sorts of little amusements scattered throughout the last seven days. Furnace parties and trolley rides were going every direction and there are more to come. Photograph parties are now in order and receptions are being held at the different galleries almost daily. The town is still full of visitors and for every one that goes two more arrive. This is noticeable at the Germans, the lists of which contain few familiar names. That reminds us of something we think worthy of mention although the subject is a delicate one.

We do not mean to be impertinent, but we would like to ask if it doesn't look badly to see so many of our home girls without engagements for different entertainments? Of course they would rather see their guests go than to be asked themselves, but there are some who do not always have guests. It isn't right and it is liable to excite critical remarks.

The Cotillion Club's german at Blue Ridge Friday evening was probably the last one of the Blue Ridge Germans of the season. It is encouraging to know that these Germans have all been pleasant and well attended, and the regret that there are to be no more is widespread. The Cotillion Club is particularly pleased at the cheerful support given it during the summer and hopes that it may be continued during the winter. Invitations to persons to become contributing members of the club have been sent out. The list included many who for various reasons do not find it convenient to attend regularly and it is hoped that such persons will signify their willingness to become members of the club on this basis, as the rules regarding the attendance upon Germans of any others living in town than those regular, contributing or honorary members will have to be strictly enforced. If not, the chief object of the club organization will be removed and it will be compelled to refuse such invitations or to discontinue its Germans. Those present at the german at Blue Ridge on Friday evening were: Miss Brooks, of Baltimore, with Mr. Dayton Miller; Miss Parker, of Chattanooga, with Mr. Fishburne; Miss Burwell, of Richmond, with Mr. Wood; Miss Edmonds, of Danville, with Mr. Rawns; Miss Evelyn, of Danville, with Mr. C. Williams; Miss Glasgow, of Lexington, with Mr. Tinsley; Miss Dorney, with Mr. Davis; Miss Wilson, with Mr. Woodson; Miss Meguire, of Louisville, with Mr. Prichard; Miss Davant, with Mr. Fitzgerald; Miss Bausch, of Hagerstown, with Mr. Hawkins; Miss Reed, with Mr. Wingfield; Miss Cook of Staunton, with Mr. Jack Lee; Miss Koehler, of Hagerstown, with Mr. Reid; Miss Marshall, with Mr. Hale; Miss Hobart, with Mr. Pascoe; Miss Vaughan, of Richmond, with Mr. Lloyd; Miss Denham, of Florida, with Mr. Dennis; Miss Ramsey, of Norfolk, with Mr. Stras; Miss Duin, of St. Louis, with Mr. Stoddard; Miss E. Pascoe, of Florida, with Mr. Elliott; Miss Denham, of Florida, with Mr. S. Pascoe. Messrs. Thomas, J. M. Williams, W. W. Williams, Eberhardt, Miller, F. Thomas, Thurmond, Dunn, O'Hara, Lewis, Heckenson, Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig; Mrs. Dala, Mrs. Breath and Mrs. Stone. The german was very prettily led by Mr. Dayton Miller.

## X. Society.

On Thursday afternoon from 3 to 6 the first at-home of the season was given by the Misses Gray, at their residence on Campbell avenue. Mrs. Gray was assisted in receiving by her two daughters, Miss Annie Gray and Miss Claire Gray. Miss Lulu Terry, Miss Penn, Miss Wortham and Miss Trout. The parlor was decorated with shaded lamps, potted plants and with cut flowers. Dainty refreshments of ices, cream, cakes and bonbons were served during the afternoon. The songs rendered by Miss Williams, of Norfolk, added much to the enjoyment of those present. It would be impossible to give a complete list of the guests, as invitations were issued to the younger society set, including their guests and also the four brides of the season. Among those present were Miss Agnes Palmer, Miss Anna Lee Alfriend, Miss Margaret Armistead, of Portsmouth; Mrs. Samuel Beverly Cary, Mrs. Wellford, Miss Burwell, the Misses Edmonds, Miss Nannie Reed, the Misses Rogers, the Misses Kilby, Miss Cook, of Staunton; Miss Maud Kent, the Misses Kindred, Mrs. Thomas Goodwin, Miss Dorney, Miss Abbie Meguire, of Louisville; Miss Koehler, Miss Ludwig.

Miss Judith Deane and Miss Annie Drewry, of Richmond, will arrive in Roanoke on Tuesday as the guests of Mrs. Samuel P. Carey.

Miss Mettie Pleasants, of Petersburg, is the guest of Miss Deaton on Eighth avenue s. w.

Miss Abbie Meguire, of Louisville, is visiting Miss Dorney on Commerce street.

Miss Margaret Armistead, who has been visiting Mrs. W. E. Mingea, has returned to her home in Portsmouth.

Miss Lillie Bausch, of Hagerstown, and Miss Adele Brooks, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. Jos. W. Cox.

Miss Trezevant, of Georgia, who has



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been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Davant, has returned home.

Miss Floy Koehler, of Hagerstown, left for her home yesterday after a visit to her brother, Mr. Reginald Koehler.

Miss Kate Ludwig and Miss Carey Ludwig are visiting in New York.

Miss Annie Henry, of Norfolk, will be the guest of the Misses Kilby during the coming week.

Miss Mary Hawkins, of Bedford, has returned to Roanoke to take charge of her school for the coming winter.

Mrs. Jos. W. Cox will leave in a few days for a short stay at Crockett.

Mrs. Maddox, of Harrisonburg, is visiting her brother, Dr. W. W. S. Butler.

The engagement of Mr. James Greene, late of Roanoke, but now of Pennsylvania, to Miss Palmer, a daughter of General James Palmer, of Pottsville, Pa., has been announced.

The outlook for next week is decidedly gloomy.

## "THE NANCY HANKS."

A Clever and Beautiful Actress at the Academy Wednesday Next.

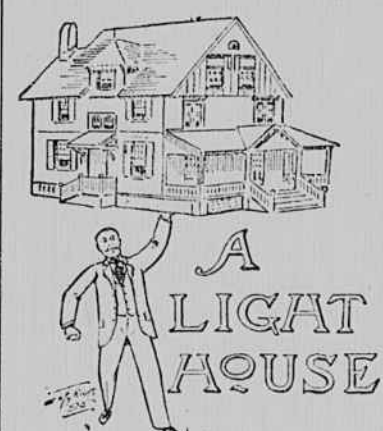


A treat is in store for the theatre-going public next Wednesday when Marie Jansen and Frank Tannehill, Jr., present the latter's very funny comedy, "The Nancy Hanks," at the Academy. Marie Jansen is one of the cleverest and most beautiful comedienne on the American stage and has attained her position through conscientious attention to her art. She is one of the many celebrated Casino favorites of New York who have become stars. For years she was associated with Francis Wilson in comic opera and shared the honors with him throughout the country. Immediately afterward she went to London and created the leading role in Charles Wyndham's production of "Featherbrain." Later she was starred through this country very successfully by Klav & Erlanger, the now famous syndicate managers, in "Delmonico's Six," and made for them a lot of money. This will be Miss Jansen's first appearance here in several seasons and it is said she comes under the best auspices of her career. In "The Nancy Hanks" she has a role that is not only thoroughly congenial but gives full scope for her manifold talents, musical and dramatic. Frank Tannehill, Jr., is none the less prominent. He descends from a family of actors and has inherited a wonderful ability not only as a comedian and actor but as an author as well, for he is responsible for "The Nancy Hanks" himself. He has reached his position through hard and conscientious work and during his career has contributed to some notable successes, among which may be mentioned "Fun on the Bristol," "The Private Secretary" and "The Henrietta."

Aside from the stars the company is an exceptionally clever one, including such artists as Harry Beresford, Clayton E. White, F. W. Caldwell, Miss Jessie Bradbury, Miss Pauline Fletcher, Mrs. P. A. Tannehill, Miss Dorothy Chester and others.

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mill in that country; Clarence J. Berry, of Southern California, \$130,000 from one mine and the owner of several others; Robert Kooks, \$26,000, and many others on the same boat, and the steamer Portland arriving later brought many more. Numbers have returned since with large fortunes that are being reported daily by the press. The riches of this country is far ahead of any other ever discovered.

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